



## **Sandi Toksvig**

**A top TV, radio presenter and author famed for a razor-sharp wit**

One of Britain's best-known comediennes.

## **Sandi's biography**

### **Sandi Toksvig's Current / Past Roles & Positions**

- Radio and TV presenter
- [Comedian](#)
- Author

### **Awards, Accolades, Achievements & Honours**

- Roberts Radio Special Award – Voice of the Listener & Viewer Awards for Excellence in Broadcasting (2013)
- Chancellor – University of Portsmouth (2012 – )
- Honorary Fellowship – Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge University (2012)
- Honorary Doctor of Letters – University of Surrey (2012)
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- Voice of the Viewer and Listener Award for Individual Contribution to Radio (2009)
- [Broadcaster](#) of the Year – Stonewall Awards (2008)
- Listening Books Award for the Spoken Word (2008)
- Channel 4 Political Awards – Political Humorist of the Year (2007)
- Radio Broadcaster of the Year – Broadcasting Press Guild (2007)

- Read it or Else Award – Coventry Inspiration Book Awards (for Hitler’s Canary) (2007)
- Show Business Personality of the Year – The Grand Order of Water Rats (1997)
- Theresa Montefiore Memorial Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement (whilst at Cambridge University)
- Raemaekers Prize for Archaeology (whilst at Cambridge University)

### **Speaking Style**

Using her exceptional sense of humour to gain the attention of her audience, Sandi Toksvig can prove to be a rare voice of reason in a confusing modern world. Her understanding of people as individuals and as a group means that she can easily provide the [motivation](#) and insight needed for personal and business development.

Having showcased her comedic talents as a member of the first all-female show at Cambridge University’s legendary Footlights Dramatic Club, Sandi Toksvig is now one of Britain’s best known [comediennes](#), performing to packed venues across the country. Her work in television has included regular appearances on Have I Got News For You, Mock the Week, Whose Line Is It Anyway and QI and on the radio she is the chair of Radio 4’s The News Quiz, previously presented the station’s Excess Baggage travel show and has appeared on I’m Sorry I Haven’t a Clue.

Also an accomplished author, Sandi has written numerous popular books for both children and adults. Her screenwriting abilities have translated well into playwriting, with Bully Boy, her work concerning the impact of war on servicemen, having been launched to critical acclaim.

Sandi Toksvig was born in Copenhagen. A talented student, she graduated with a first class degree from Girton College, Cambridge University where she studied law, archaeology, and anthropology. After her success at the Footlights Club, she went on to become a member of The Comedy Store Players.

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